

## SUMMARY OF STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP

**DATE:** December 6, 2001

**TO:** Ross Dunfee, Steering Committee Chairman  
Tony Barrett, Department of Ecology

**COPY:** Steering Committee Members and Consultant Team

**FROM:** Dave Moss, Tt/KCM

**SUBJECT:** **Summary of Stakeholder Workshop**  
**Moses Lake Conference Center**  
**November 29, 2001 9:00 am - 12:00 noon**

**PROJECT:** EASTERN WASHINGTON STORMWATER MANAGEMENT  
Stormwater Management Technical Manual *and*  
Model Municipal NPDES Phase II Stormwater Program

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### PURPOSE OF WORKSHOP:

This workshop was held to inform stakeholders and participants of the status of stormwater management for eastern Washington, and to formally begin the subcommittee efforts to develop the Stormwater Management Technical Manual and the Model Municipal NPDES Phase II Stormwater Program.

### WORKSHOP ATTENDEES:

The list of workshop attendees will be posted on the Washington State Department of Ecology website:

[http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/ew\\_sw\\_news.html](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/ew_sw_news.html)

### WORKSHOP PRESENTATION MATERIALS:

The actual presentation for this workshop was prepared and delivered using PowerPoint software. The details of each slide are not included in this workshop summary, but will be posted on the Washington State Department of Ecology website, as a workshop document dated November 29, 2001. For reference, the agenda for the workshop is shown next and is followed by several summary comments from presenters and stakeholders.

### AGENDA FOR THIS WORKSHOP:

#### **9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon**

1. Introductions – *Ross Dunfee, Eastern Washington Stormwater Steering Committee Chair*
2. History – *Tony Barrett, Department of Ecology Project Manager*
  - a. Regulatory Framework
  - b. Past Conferences
  - c. Chartering Meeting
  - d. Consultant Selection

3. Steering Committee/Subcommittees – *Ross Dunfee*
  - a. Issues Resolution – *Riley Atkins, DEA*
  - b. Communications – Methodology & Protocol – *Dave Moss*
4. Consultant Support – *Dave Moss, TetraTech/KCM Project Manager*
  - a. Scope-of-Work
  - b. Schedule
  - c. Budget
  - d. Public Involvement – *Sarah Hubbard-Gray, HGC*

**10:30 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.~~ BREAK ~~**

5. National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Phase II – *Tony Barrett*
  - a. Industrial & Construction Permits
  - b. Ecology Phase II General Permit
  - c. Six Minimum Measures – *John Knutson, NPDES Subcommittee Chair*
  - d. Model Program Key Elements – *John Knutson*
6. Eastern Washington Stormwater Management Manual – *Jim St. John, DEA*
  - a. Manual Development
  - b. Hydrologic/Geographic Differences – *Mel Schaefer, MGS*
7. Cost Estimates for Implementation – *Dave Moss*
  - a. NPDES Phase II Model Program
  - b. Stormwater Management Manual – *Mark Ewbank, Herrera*

**12:00 Noon - 1:30 p.m. – LUNCH**

**1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

8. Subcommittee Meetings (held concurrently in separate rooms; see separate summaries)
  - a. NPDES Phase II Model Program – *John Knutson, NPDES Subcommittee Chair*
  - b. Stormwater Management Manual – *Steve Worley, Manual Subcommittee Chair*

## **BRIEF SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS (per each item of the agenda):**

1. Ross Dunfee commenced the workshop and each participant introduced himself or herself.
2. Tony Barrett summarized regulatory framework and discussed past conferences, meeting and consultant selection. Tom Tebb of Ecology mentioned they were working on the water quality standards and have been coordinating with Idaho DEQ.
3. Ross Dunfee summarized the Steering Committee and Subcommittee roles. Riley Atkins presented an issue resolution strategy. It was generally felt that each Subcommittee should attempt to resolve the majority of their issues. Resolution would involve 80% agreement by the members (present?). If a Subcommittee could not decide, then the Steering Committee would be asked to resolve the issue. Steering Committee agreement will require 80% of the 10 members (or at least 8 votes to pass). Members not present would be contacted to obtain their vote. Issues not achieving at least 80% approval of the Steering Committee will be forwarded to Ecology for resolution.

4. Dave Moss summarized the scope, schedule and budget for Consultant Support. Sarah Hubbard-Gray summarized the public involvement process.
5. Tony Barrett and John Knutson discussed the Phase II NPDES program for stormwater. Tony added the following comments, and answers to questions, during this and the next segment of the workshop:
  - a. Rural areas are not included in Phase II
  - b. A public hearing is not required for the Manual or Phase II program, but a public hearing process is required for the Phase II general permit.
  - c. There will be separate permits for Western Washington and Eastern Washington.
  - d. Once approved, the general permits cannot be appealed, just coverage under the permit.
  - e. Industrial activity must be separately permitted, unless there is no exposure.
  - f. Probably will be a “vesting date” for projects under construction when permits take effect.
  - g. No NPDES permit required for discharge to groundwater, however the state of Washington has a permitting process for discharge to groundwater.
  - h. The term “municipalities” refers to many more entities besides cities and counties.
  - i. U.S. Census-defined urban areas are being redefined and should be available about March 2002.
  - j. Flow control requirements for discharges to larger bodies of water will probably not be required.
  - k. For effectiveness of BMPs, Ecology is doing a separate evaluation (from this project work) for application and limitations.
6. Jim St. John discussed the key issues and components of the stormwater technical manual. Mel Schaefer presented the hydrologic and geographic differences in Eastern Washington, for consideration.
7. Dave Moss mentioned that costs would be estimated for minimum and expanded NPDES Phase II programs, for smaller and larger communities. Mark Ewbank reviewed the issues and concepts for estimating costs for construction and operation of selected BMPs that are included in the stormwater technical manual.

The morning workshop ended and everyone went to lunch. Separate afternoon sessions were then held for the Stormwater Management Technical Manual and the Model Municipal NPDES Phase II Stormwater Program. Summaries of these concurrent afternoon sessions are prepared separately.